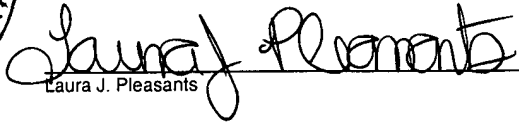


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In re Application of: Reindel

Group Art Unit: 3738

Serial No.: 10/666,680

Examiner: Isabella, David J.

Filed: September 18, 2003

Docket No.: 1135/27/2

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For: WRIST IMPLANT APPARATUS AND METHOD

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AMENDMENT A

Mail Stop Amendment
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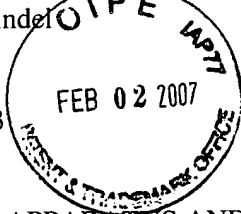
This is responsive to the Office Action dated November 2, 2006, having a period for response up to and including February 2, 2007. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10*

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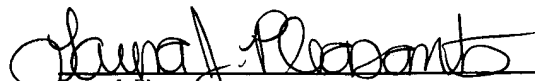
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FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

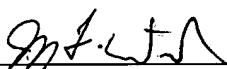
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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE		
TOTAL	42	— 42	= 0	x \$ 50.00	= \$	0.00	
INDEP.	13	— 7	= 6	x \$ 200.00	= \$	1,200.00	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$ 360.00	= \$	0.00	
				TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	\$	1,200.00	

Total additional fee for claims required is \$1,200.00

FEE PAYMENT

5. A check in the amount of \$1,200.00 is enclosed for fee due.

Date: February 2, 2007



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